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**Title: ULTRASONIC SURGICAL INSTRUMENT HAVING AN INCREASED
WORKING LENGTH**

**Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria VA 22313-1450**

Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT A

(Amendment in Accordance with 37 CFR 1.111)

In response to the Office Action of September 15, 2006, please
amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Listing/Amendments to the Claims begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Discussion begin on page 5 of this paper.